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I would like to express my concerns about direction where Microsoft Settlement is going.

Bunch of the companies that not capable to win market place in fair competition with Microsoft are trying to ruin the company by :

- sponsoring Non-profit organizations (and influencing them to take actions that harm MS): American Antitrust Institute (AAI) which finances partially by Oracle;
- failing ridiculous law suites (AOL/Netscape);
- trying to build negative PR about MS by publishing unverified/incorrect or out of context info (CNET) - every day <http://news.com> has from one to 4 articles about MS, none of which describes how much company does for customers (more than any other Software company in the world);
- lobbying for Standards bodies to use their technology vs new innovative from MS using muscles of anti-MS coalition and longer market presence: SUN with Java, backed up by Oracle, AOL;
- having double standards for MS and other companies - Java licensing belongs to SUN and MS was sued for using it in its products; and complains about MS not including Virtual Java Machine in XP (perhaps MS doesn't want to have one extra law suite?);

We, people, who are paying both Federal Taxes and California Taxes are concern that these funds are being used to damage economy of country; economy of state; jepardize jobs and welfare of hundreds of thousands (millions) of people who do have job thanks to Microsoft Technologies - including people who work in thousands of Silicon Valley companies which wouldn't exist otherwise since they are making products on top of MS technologies; decrease quality of life of hundreds of millions of people around the globe who are using Microsoft Products that have best quality and design.

I would recommend settle the outstanding cases and let people in Microsoft do the job and their customers enjoy outstanding products, instead of supporting competitors and allowing endless law suites (seems like anyone who is not lazy is submitting law suite against MS). We all should support US economy and don't kill it.

Market should prove who is best, not regulations on how many titles of Software each company is allowed to produce.

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